



File Code: 1950

Date: November 5, 2014

Dear Interested Party:

The Shasta-Trinity National Forest invites your comments on the Green-Horse Habitat Restoration and Maintenance Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). The DEIS is also available at the Shasta Lake Ranger Station Office; 14225 Holiday Road; Redding, CA 96003; or online at: [http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/project\\_content.php?project=29469](http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/project_content.php?project=29469).

Under the preferred alternative, the Forest Service would treat approximately 41,836 acres of vegetation within the NRA Management Unit and would authorize a site-specific, non-significant Forest Plan amendment. Treatment methods include prescribed fire (broadcast or under burning and pile burning), hand thinning and/or brush cutting, pruning and hand piling. The amendment would change the dead and down material values in the project area within the Management Prescriptions for Limited Roaded Motorized Recreation and Roaded Motorized Recreation from an average of 20 tons per acre and 10 tons per acre, respectively, to an average of 5-15 tons per acre. In addition, approximately 4.61 miles (or 4 acres) of dozer fire line construction or reconstruction are proposed in order to facilitate prescribed fire activities. The project area is east of the McCloud Arm of Shasta Lake, north of the Pit Arm and includes portions of Township (T) 33 North (N), Range 3 West (W); T34N R1W, 2W, 3W and 4W; T35N R1W, 2W and 3W, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

Planning for this project began under the appeal process (36 CFR 215). As of this date, it is instead subject to comment and the objection process pursuant to 36 CFR 218, Subparts A and B (rule). Only individuals or organizations who submit timely, specific written comments regarding the proposed project during a public comment period established by the responsible official are eligible to file an objection. For the purposes of this rule, specific written comments should be within the scope of the proposed action, have a direct relationship to the proposed action, and must include supporting reasons for the Responsible Official to consider (36 CFR 218.2). Individuals or representatives of an entity submitting comments must sign the comments or verify identity upon request.

As the Responsible Official, I am requesting your specific written comments during the 45-day comment period which begins with publication of the Notice of Availability (NOA) of the DEIS in the FEDERAL REGISTER (expected on November 7, 2014); the Forest will post the actual NOA on the project website address noted above as soon as it is available. The date of publication of the NOA in the FEDERAL REGISTER is the exclusive means for calculating the comment period.



Commenters should not rely upon dates or timeframe information provided by any other source. It is the commenter's responsibility to ensure timely receipt of comments (36 CFR 218.25).

Comments may be: mailed to the Shasta Lake Ranger Station; Attn: Green-Horse DEIS; 14225 Holiday Road, Redding, CA 96003; delivered to the address shown above during business hours (M-F 8:00am to 4:30pm excluding holidays); or, submitted by FAX (530) 275-1512. Submit electronic comments, in common (.doc, .pdf, .rtf, .txt) formats, to: [comments-pacificsouthwest-shasta-trinity-shasta-lake@fs.fed.us](mailto:comments-pacificsouthwest-shasta-trinity-shasta-lake@fs.fed.us) with Subject: Green-Horse DEIS. Names of commenters will be part of the public record subject to the Freedom of Information Act.

For additional information regarding this project, contact Jason Fallon at the Shasta Lake Ranger Station Office; 14225 Holiday Road; Redding, CA 96003; or call (530) 275-1587.

Sincerely,



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